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1. "Protection of software against reverse-analysis (tampering) and alteration (modification) –tamper-resistant software technology", Nikkei Electronics, 706: 209-220 (1998).

Applicant is submitting a copy of the above-cited reference. The relevance of the above-identified reference has been described in the specification.

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